

REMARKS

Claims 23-42 remain in this application. Claims 1-22 have been canceled.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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APPENDIX:

The Appendix includes the following item(s):

- ☒ - a new or amended Abstract of the Disclosure
- ☐ - a Replacement Sheet for Figure of the drawings
- ☐ - a Substitute Specification and a marked-up copy of the originally-filed specification
- ☐ - a terminal disclaimer
- ☐ - a 37 CFR 1.132 Declaration
- ☐ - a Substitute Specification and a marked-up copy of the originally-filed specification
- ☐ - a verified English translation of foreign priority document

Abstract of the Disclosure

The present invention relates to a method an arrangement for reserving resources in an IP network. By mixing open-ended reservations with in-advance reservations, by utilising a common pool of resources, the resource utilisation will be high. Despite the support for open-ended reservations, the present invention allows immediate and in-advance time-limited reservations wherein the resources are guaranteed. It also allows modification of active and "soon to be active" reservations, which in turn permit soft-state reservations. The invention supports different types of applications with varying time-distributions and varying risk of pre-emption. A new concept of open-ended in-advance reservations is also introduced in the present invention.